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TO: Persons Interested in the Activities of the Commission
for Teacher Preparation and Licensing

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SUBJECT: Examination Score Standards and Appeal Process

The Commission for Teacher Preparation and Licensing, at its June 1976 meeting, extended use of the N.T.E. Examinations and the adopted cut-off scores to December 31, 1976, and adopted an appeal process. This appeal process is applicable only to examinations relating to the multiple and single subject teaching credentials. A copy of the regular score standards (cut-off scores), and the minimum scores required for appeal, is attached for your information.

The adopted appeal process is on an interim basis and expires December 31, 1976. This policy states that:

Effective July 1, 1976, and extending to December 31, 1976, the Common Examinations scores may be considered for appeal if all of the following (1, 2, and 3) are met:

- (1) the score is at least equivalent to the 25th percentile among California candidates at the same test administration;
- (2) the candidate has either -
 - (a) an overall grade point average of 3.0, or
 - (b) an excess score in one area equivalent to at least twice the shortage in the area(s) in question;
- (3) a grade point average of 2.5 has been earned in at least 12 semester hours of course work in the area(s) in question.

Effective July 1, 1976, and extending to December 31, 1976, Single Subject Matter Area Examinations scores may be considered for appeal if all of the following are met:

- (1) the score is at least equivalent to the 40th percentile among California candidates at the same test administration;
- (2) the candidate has an overall grade point average of 2.5;
- (3) the candidate has a grade point average of 3.0 in at least 18 semester hours of course work in the subject area for which the examination is to be waived.

Commission policy provides that anyone meeting these standards who took the examination after July 1, 1974, and before December 31, 1976, may request an appeal by writing to the Commission; providing evidence required above, including a copy of the report of scores and complete transcripts; and submitting the required \$20 processing fee for each examination to be considered. This fee is not refundable.